

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A vehicle door handle device comprising:

an electric part having a first face and a second face opposite to the first face,
the electric part being which is received within an internal space formed within a door
handle to abut an inner surface of the door handle at the first face and so as to form
a gap between the electric part and an inner surface of the door handle at the
second face; and

an a first elastic member which is mounted on the second face of the electric
part, and is disposed within the gap to be pressed against the inner surface of the
door handle and the second face of the electric part.

2. (Currently Amended) The vehicle door handle device according to claim 1, further comprising a second elastic member attached to an edge of the electric
part,

wherein a projection is formed on the inner surface of the door handle,
projecting correspondingly to the second elastic member,[[;]] and
wherein the second elastic member is pressed against the inner surface of the
door handle through the projection.

3. (Original) The vehicle door handle device according to claim 1,

wherein the door handle includes a handle body and a handle cover; and at least one of the handle body and the handle cover has a reinforcing portion formed along the electric part.

4. (Currently Amended) The vehicle door handle device according to claim 3,

wherein the reinforcing portion is formed on one of the handle body and the handle cover;

the reinforcing portion has a retaining groove; and

the other of the handle body and the handle cover has a retaining claw engageable with the retaining groove used for fixing the handle body and the handle cover to each other.

5. (Original) The vehicle door handle device according to claim 1, wherein the electric part includes a first electric part, and a second electric part having signal wires fixed to the first electric part; and the signal wires are flexible.